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EDITORIAL
BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

Things look better for Oregon and for Portland than ever before, even remembering that they have been "looking up" for several years more and more, and notwithstanding the creation of a railroad commission calculated to do considerable harm.

For one thing, congress just before it adjourned passed a very liberal river and harbor bill, so far as appropriation for Oregon and particularly the Columbia river are concerned. The Oregon projects have been very well taken care of, and it is especially gratifying that the jetty work at the mouth of the river has been put on the continuing contract basis, thus assuring steady work on it till it is completed.

The Oregon legislature did one good job, providing congress at the next session will join with the state and make the rest of the appropriation necessary in appropriating \$300,000 for free locks at Oregon City. If Mr. Hawley can induce congress to bear the rest of the cost, he will have done a very fine piece of work, not only for the Willamette valley above Oregon City but also for Portland although this city is not in his district; but nothing much can be expected of the representative from this district. He probably will summon up energy enough to vote, if somebody will tell him when.

The legislature failed to do an important duty, although it involved quite an appropriation, in defeating the combination of the Portage railroad to The Dalles and was properly lectured the other evening by Mr. Wittenberg. It is not the cost of a thing that is objectionable providing it is worth the cost, and almost anything that will aid cheap and prompt transportation is worth all it will cost.

Activity in railroad building is another thing to rejoice at, and that surely indicates great development and growth in the near future. Work has begun on the United Railways line, which will be a big help to Portland and the country it passes through, and there will be other similar lines built up the valley within the next five years, greatly increasing population, production and wealth.

Another thing portending much good for Portland is the settlement of the dispute between the Harriman and Hill lines as to terminal grounds and rights of way in this city and in Seattle. There will be a great common terminal ground back of the present yard, and these great systems will quit fighting each other and work in amity for their own interests and incidentally and necessarily for those of Portland also.

The railroads are also doing a splendid service in making such low tourist or homeseekers' rates for two months and the result will be that thousands of people will come to this state who might not have come otherwise. Literature distributed by railroads in the east has also been of great value, and the means of turning thousands toward Oregon.

Capital is flowing into Oregon and especially into Portland at a far greater rate than ever before, and it is now generally realized that this is going to be a great city and that within the course of a comparatively few years. This confident belief will be a large factor in making it such. So that fast as Portland has grown during the past few years it is destined to grow even faster in the next few years. It will reach 200,000 during next year, and then it

will not take very long to climb to 300,000, and it won't stop at that.

VOTE THE BONDS.

The bonds proposed to be voted on next June for boulevards and park grounds should be authorized and doubtless will be by a large majority. The bonded debt of the city is comparatively small, considering that Portland is a very rapidly growing city and the water bonds will be paid by the water income, so that a new issue of a million or even two million bonds will not be any appreciable handicap on the city, and the money thus secured can be made to do the city several million dollars' worth of good.

The proposed park ground and system of boulevards will be a most excellent investment. They will add immensely to Portland's attractions, and make it celebrated throughout the whole land as the finest scenic city in it. They will bring tourists in great numbers annually and homeseekers of wealth as well. Already many fine homes have been built here by people from abroad, and when these improvements are made the number of such homes will multiply rapidly. With the city well improved in all respects, and beautified and its natural attractions made the most of, and with its delightful climate during a large part of the year, it will become the mecca of thousands both of temporary and permanent sojourners, and most of them people with plenty of money to spend and invest.

What is two million dollars when Portland's assessable property this year will be probably about \$200,000,000. Only one per cent and this valuation will double in the next six or eight years, if not sooner. Get the park grounds now; they can never be bought so cheaply again. Lay out a comprehensive system of boulevards and begin improving them and do the work thoroughly, regardless of cost. It will pay big.

The harbor must be enlarged and deepened; this is important. The river front may be bought, and owned by the city for public wharves and docks; this might be a good investment. Hundreds of miles of streets must be improved, and kept clean and attractive; this will cost a good deal of money. But all these things will pay, and none of them better than the parks and boulevards.

Portland has the opportunity to make itself the finest city, taking everything into consideration in the country. It will take a good deal of money, quite a good many millions, before the jobs are ended—and they never will be ended—but what of that if within 20 years Portland can be a city of 500,000 inhabitants, the veritable New York of the Pacific Coast? And it can be. But to be so it must improve these opportunities.

A FINE OPPORTUNITY.

Mr. Lafe Pence, the enterprising developer, has made a suggestion of great value to the county and city, that should be taken advantage of if possible, along with a vote of thanks to Mr. Pence for his public spirited offer, or proposition, which is thus stated in the Journal:

A macadamized, rolled boulevard, 80 feet wide and approximately five miles long, following the contour of the hills north of Portland to Linnton, on elevations varying from 450 to 200 feet, is an immediate possibility. It is within the power of the county of Multnomah, which would generally profit in a large way from such development to start the contemplated boulevard system which it is proposed to center in Portland.

"If the county will take the necessary steps promptly, while our company is working out the plans between Willamette heights and Linnton, such a boulevard can be constructed at a cost approximately one fifth of the normal cost of such an improvement," said Lafe Pence, president of the Pence company. "It so happens that our enterprise fits in with the boulevard proposition at this time, and we would be able to do a lot of work that would cost the public comparatively a bagatelle. But if the public part of the project were held back a year or two by the necessity of voting bonds and

performing various slow and laborious circumlocutions, we could not hold back our work to keep pace with it. The chance is here now, and if the people will embrace it we will do what we can to help."

"The project to make a manufacturing district at the exposition grounds, where buildings have been purchased, would have been much further along by this time had it not been for one obstacle—the absence of cheap home sites for employees," said Mr. Pence. "We have had three large concerns ready to remove their plants from the east and bring their employes to Portland could we have furnished them cheap homes for the employes without sending them five miles to East Portland suburbs.

"This obstacle to our undertaking has been overcome by the proposal to open the district between Willamette heights and Linnton. We shall continue the Linnton road line from the fair grounds to Linnton, then loop back along the hillside and open one of the most beautiful suburban resident districts to be found anywhere in the world. The line will be built at once. Men of means have agreed to come in and finance it and the bonds are already practically sold.

"The idea that came into my mind was simply this: That it would be a pity for Portland and Multnomah county to miss this chance to get in on the ground floor with a boulevard at a time when the cost of such an improvement would be a bagatelle compared with what it would cost later on."

The governor gained nothing in public esteem and respect by berating Speaker Davey, who has as good a right to his opinions and his way of performing his public duties, as the governor has.

It doesn't make much difference whether the Initiative One Hundred's or Dozen's bill is on the ballot or not; it will be beaten by four to one or more if it is, because it is unreasonable.

At last the Street Railway Company has raised the wages of its platform men, for fear of a strike that would win, but they are not overpaid yet, if competent.

Mayor Lane is not getting much encouragement to run again from people who have good judgment and are honest enough to tell him the truth.

The people of the state generally as well as his many personal friends hope for Secretary of State Benson's speedy return to health.

Now is the time for Portland to start a very important improvement by voting for the park and boulevard bonds.

Labor men are going to put up a ticket, but a good many of them can't be depended on to vote it themselves.

The more Portland spends for public improvement the richer it will become, and the cost won't be missed.

The railroads are doing big things for Oregon now and the state should work in harmony with them.

The railroad commission will serve the people best by not interfering much with the railroads.

Some democrats have held a meeting to talk over candidates. But what's the use?

Brother Rader is going to write fiction. It is said that he has had some experience.

Now that he has been senator perhaps Mr. Mulkey would not accept a lesser office.

It would surely take a strong Coffey to get the republican nomination for mayor.

Now the political bee begins to buzz in an increasing number of heads.

The manner of getting a nomination deters many of the best men.

It will be seen next June that this is again a republican city.

Is the president going to try to dictate his successor?

Silence gives consent, and the mayor is silent.

Who's going to be your next councilman?

WIT OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

Teacher—Johnny, what is the future tense of "He drinks?" Johnny (promptly)—He's drunk.

Teacher—Willie, can you tell me why the multiplication table stops at 12? Willie—I guess it's because 13 at a table is unlucky.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, you may give me the definition of "exercise." Johnny—Exercise is work what a fellow likes to do because it isn't work.

"They say that I have cut a tooth," said the babe with mournful gloe; "But if they'd only tell the truth, They'd say the tooth cut me."

Teacher—Why, Freddie, this excuse doesn't look like your father's writing. Freddie—Well, the next one will look more like it, I guess. He says my penmanship is improving.

Small Tommy after being severely chastised by his mother for disobeying her ran to his father and said between sobs: "Papa, how d-did you c-come to m-marry such a w-woman as m-mamma is?"

Mamma—If you had two pennies, Willie, and I was to give you three more, how much would you have? Willie—Make it dollars, mamma. What's the use of being stingy with make-believe money?

A little fellow, age 4, accompanied his father to Lincoln Park one day, where he saw a diminutive monkey with whose playful antics he was greatly pleased. "What did you see, dear?" asked his mother upon his return home. "A funny little boy with a tail," replied the small observer.

"What's the matter, pet?" asked a mother of her 3-year-old daughter, who was crying. "S-somthin' dreadful happened," sobbed the little one. "Well, what was it, darling?" queried the mother, anxiously. "My d-dolly dot away f-from me an' b-bowed a d-dish in ze p-pantny," she sobbed.

JEWELS IN BOOT LEATHER.

Diamond-Set Dancing Pumps Will Soon Be Fashionable Rage.

It is said that a manufacturing jeweler in New York has invented a device for setting gems in boot leather; that diamond-set dancing pumps will soon be the rage; that diamond-toed boots will eventually be so common as not to attract attention in Broadway or in 5th avenue.

Here is merely a return to ancient luxury. The "campagus," the most ordinary footwear of the Roman emperors, was often enriched with pearls and diamonds. Roman women had shoes with soles of solid gold, shoes that sparkled with precious stones. Heliogabalus, who never wore a pair of boots twice, insisted on exquisite cameo decorations, but he forbade women to wear gems attached to their shoes. High priests were coquetish also in this manner. Alcibiades invented a boot that became the fashion, but we believe it was gemless.

Let us go through the centuries. Charlemagne wore shoes adorned with gems and richly ornamented foot coverings were worn by the nobility of Europe, both by lords and noble dames in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. In the time of Charles I. of England the extravagance was shoe strings edged with gold. Louis XIV. wore at his wedding boots adorned with fleurs de lis and decorations of gold, but how did they fit him? For the shoemaker, Lestage, disinclined to take the royal measure. Toward the close of the eighteenth century in England shoe buckles dazzled with jewels.

A millionaire is now a person whose income is a million. A capital of a million is nothing. When General Jung Bahawter took his seat at the ball given in London by the Peninsular and Oriental Company—

Bedad his trout, his belt, his coat, All bleeced with precious minerals.

Why should not the suddenly rich, the heroes of the American nights, more wonderful than the nights of Arabia, break out all over with diamonds as poorer mortals with measles or the shingles?—Boston Herald.

To Be Re-Elected.

One of the suburbs of Chicago is the site of a well-known school of theology, from which go out each week-end many members of the senior class to try their voices as "supplies."

A passenger on a Monday morning train was surprised at the number of them who got off at the station.

"What are all those chaps getting off here?" he asked the brakeman.

"Them?" asked the brakeman. "Oh, they're returned empties, for the college."

Historic.

There was on the stage a realistic scene in which a surgical operation was apparently performed.

"Hold on—" cried a voice from the audience. "Aren't you going to give us some of that chloroform?"

Of course the management was displeased, but there is a point at which realism palls.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Hereditary.

"Your son is a great football player." "Yes; it is hereditary." "I never heard that his father was a football player." "He isn't, but he is a chronic kicker."—Houston Post.

Women can always see the point of a pointless joke.

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